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Senior's lodge may go ahead sooner than expected

HA5 injects \$440,000 into Supportive Living in Didsbury

By Nicole Smith

Christmas has come a little early for the Mountain View Management Board.

Last Friday morning, at a press conference hosted by Health Authority 5, an announcement was made by HA5 CEO Al Martin about a funding allocation towards the proposed Didsbury senior's lodge.

The lodge, which is being built by the Mountain View Management Board (MVB), received \$440,000 in funding under the Healthy Aging Partnership Initiative (HAPI) from HA5.

This funding will see 20 Supportive Living beds being built in the Didsbury lodge.

Martin explained that a total of \$650,000 was handed out on Friday, with the majority going towards the Didsbury project and the remainder, \$212,000, being put towards 10 Supportive Living beds at the Golden Hills Lodge in Three Hills.

The HAPI project saw six separate initiatives applying for funding. A committee of five community representatives within HA5 looked at all the applications and allotted the funding accordingly to two of the communities.

The HAPI project began after recommendations were made by a provincial government committee that was chaired by MLA Dave Broda, which looked at creative ways to support ag-

ing in place.

From the Broda Report came the idea of Supportive Living, which are residents who do not need around the clock supervision and care as other Long Term Care residents do.

Martin says that it is a problem putting such residents into a nursing home environment.

"There are too large of a range of residents who are being asked to co-habitate in the same type of residence," Martin said.

He says that it would be less expensive to run a Supportive Living residence, as a highly professional staff wouldn't be required.

"We're trying to become a bit more proactive. We're trying to find some alternative ... It is beneficial to us from a cost perspective, but beneficial to our residents as well."

Martin says that the reason for the early announcement of the funding was to help kick start both the project in Didsbury, as well as in Three Hills.

MVMB Chair Judy Kaupp says that the board applied to HA5 in the form of a presentation about the proposed lodge, and is delighted with this announcement. She says that this funding will allow the lodge to begin construction earlier than expected.

"It's a nice early Christmas present," she said.

She says that now the lodge

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MRS. CLAUS GETS DOWN

Children of all ages enjoyed songs and games last Friday night, when Santa, Mrs. Claus and a few of the elves took time out of their busy schedules to make an appearance at Didsbury's Midnight Madness celebration.

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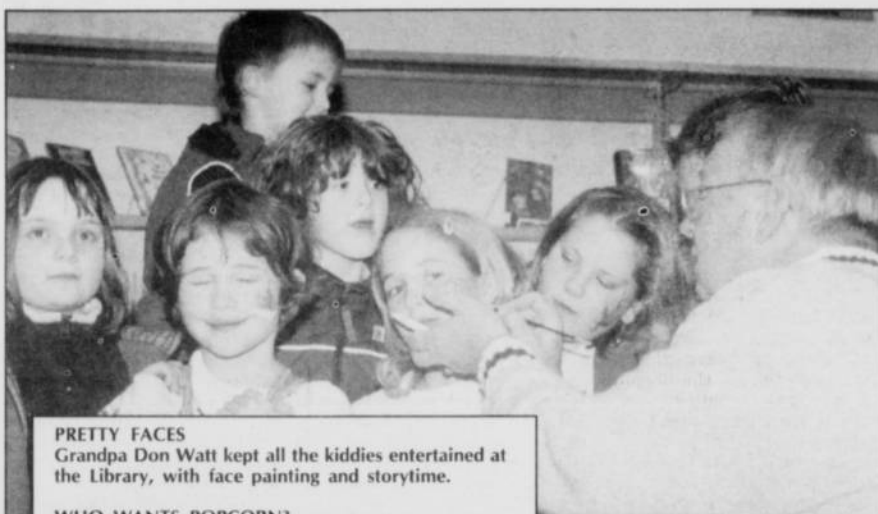
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Members of the Didsbury High School band showed off their talent along Main Street and entertained shoppers with great Christmas music.



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Funding for Senior's Lodge

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will probably be built in stages, with the first 20 beds going in soon.

"People need to realize that this is a reality," she said.

CEO of the board, Doreen Wilson, says that about nine acres have already been donated to the MVMB by the Town of Didsbury and that they're currently trying to secure an additional nine acres from HA5, all of which is located on the land next to the hospital.

Kaupp says that they are considering attaching the lodge to the hospital, so that many services and utilities could be shared.

"It would really be cost effective," said Kaupp.

Wilson explained that the lodge will have approximately 50 suites, some of which will be specifically for couples. As well, the residents will have an option to bring their own furniture, or have a furnished suite supplied for them.

"This will be a facility to meet everybody's needs," Wilson said.

Kaupp agreed, saying: "You can move in and grow old gracefully. This is a new concept. It's very much home for the residents."

Wilson and Kaupp remind the community that the lodge is always open to receiving donations.

"Charitable receipts are available for regular or memorial donations," Wilson said.

Currently, there are over 20 people on the waiting list for the Didsbury lodge.



School board records surplus

Ideally school boards don't like to see large budget surpluses because it translates into additional money that could have been used to increase services and improve student learning in the past year.

However, this year Chinook's Edge has recorded a \$1.8 million surplus which is largely due to uncertainty by school administrators over contract negotiations.

Schools budget for the year in May and staff contracts were not signed until June and the two month difference did not give schools a clear picture as to what their financial position would look like.

Since labour makes up approximately 88 per cent of the jurisdictions \$67 million budget any uncertainty in salary increases can cause havoc with school based budgeting. That uncertainty caused schools to cut back slightly on the amount of money they budgeted for services and supplies.

Superintendent Jim Gibbons says boards usually like to have three per cent of their total budget available for reserves in order for contingency purposes. In that regard \$1.8 million is not an extraordinary surplus in a budget of that size, it only amounts to 2.5 per cent.

However, school administra-

tion has already taken steps to ensure the surplus is used up in the next fiscal year.

"This year they (schools) have budgeted for a deficit and will use up the surplus," said treasurer Susan Roy. "All in all we're pretty stable."

Brian Semeschuk of Evancie Perrault Robertson Certified General Accountants conducted the audit for Chinook's Edge and one of their mandates is to put forward recommendations on how to help the division operate more efficiently.

"We had a difficult time coming up with any significant concerns or recommendations," said Semeschuk. "Everything as far as we can see is fine."

In spite of that statement Semeschuk did say that there were two areas that the board could improve on.

One area was the way the accounts receivable are being handled. Semeschuk says it isn't a problem of a lack of security but maybe too much security.

"It's not a question that there is a lack of controls, it's a question that maybe it's too laborious," he said.

The recommendation by the auditors was that the school division conduct a review on the process to determine if there is a way to streamline the process.

Trustee Stuart Little said that even though a review might be needed the system is currently better than it was in the past.

"It used to be that you never wanted to buy anything because it wasn't worth all the paper work," said Little.

Another concern the auditors had was in terms of the collection of school fees and the use of the collection service the schools use to clear up delinquent accounts.

"It didn't seem that all of the schools were consistently using this collection service," said Semeschuk.

Gibbons said that school fee collection has always been a tough issue with school administrators.

"It's certainly an issue with our schools and our principals who are there to build relationships with the community and the parents and then they have to put on this other hat of bill collector which is somewhat confrontational," said Gibbons.

Those factors complicate things when it comes to school fees which is compounded by the fact the board collects fees in the first place.

"Even the charging of school fees is an issue, certainly if we didn't have to charge them we wouldn't," said Gibbons.

Semeschuk concluded by saying that he wasn't necessarily encouraging a more stringent collection policy, but a regular review so the board could write off bills that will never be collected. Semeschuk says regular review would create a more accurate view of the fee situation.

Knives in many of Chinook's Edge schools

by Dan Singleton

Despite school board rules to the contrary, there are students in several high schools in Chinooks Edge who routinely carry knives to class, sources confirmed this week.

"If it's a really long one, then, yes, it is a concern. If it's a little thumbnail size one, then no," said Jim Gibbons, division superintendent.

"What we get into is what size of a pocket knife is it?"

A 17-year-old student was stabbed to death at the Lester B. Pearson high school in Calgary last week. A 16-year-old classmate faces a charge of second degree murder after allegedly using a 10-inch kitchen knife to repeatedly stab the victim.

Chinook's Edge's weapons policy prohibits possession of either firearms or knives on school property, said Gibbons. The division describes a weapon as "a firearm of any description or a knife or similar item dangerous to others."

The Chinook's Edge policy reads: "A student possessing a weapon...on school property may be suspended or recommended for expulsion, and the RCMP may be contacted."

"Any student using or threatening to use a weapon shall be reported immediately to the principal and reported to the RCMP, and then the student shall be suspended."

An adult student pulled a small knife on a 16-year-old student in the Olds high school last year, holding the weapon to the victim's neck following an argument over a magazine.

"It was a very minor inci-

dent and no charges were laid," RCMP Sgt. Neil Lowes said Friday.

Olds principal Tom Christiansen said the adult student was immediately kicked out of the school.

"He was surprised that we were taking the line that he was no longer welcome," said Christiansen.

Sources at schools in Sundre, Carstairs, Olds and Didsbury confirmed some students continue to carry knives to class.

"They do, there's no arguing that," said Grant-Watt, principal of the 350-student Sundre high school.

Iain Paton, principal of 350-student Didsbury high school, said, "I have no doubt that probably a couple have pocket knives. I would imagine some of those boys have something for cutting bales."

"I can't control what's in their pockets, but I don't see them out and if I happen to see them out, I would probably say to the kid 'that's not here.' If it's going to be here it certainly isn't going to be out in public at any point."

Any knife brought out inside the Didsbury school would be confiscated, he said.

Shaun McKenna, VP of the Hugh Sutherland School in Carstairs, said, "Sometimes they are on their belts in a leather case that just clips shut. Because we've never had any problems with them, if it stays in the case no one really bothers (with) it too much. If they've got it out we take it away."

"Once in a while a kid will

have a little tiny lock blade. If they've got it out waving it about it gets taken away from them. We don't have any problems with violence at that level."

Some students do carry knives in the 650-student Olds Junior and Senior high school, but if the knives are brought out, they are immediately confiscated, said principal Tom Christiansen.

"If we see them, we take them away. I have a whole collection" said Christiansen.

There is no suggestion any of the knives in Chinook's Edge are being carried as weapons.

Programs now in place protect students and teachers from possible problems with weapons, said Gibbons.

"We're pretty focused on the safe and caring schools program," said Gibbons. "We found because we've got the councillors in schools, and the preventative program coordinators...we do a lot of conflict resolution."

"We also have bully-proofing school programs. Our hope is by focusing on young people by the time they reach the age of that child in Calgary, that they will have different solutions to issues than violence."

All schools in Chinook's Edge have anti-bullying programs. Meanwhile, Mr. Daryl Wilson, a music teacher at Olds' Deer Meadow school, said Lester B. Pearson high school is a "good school with lots of parent involvement and team spirit."

- with a report from Carla

Didsbury firefighters looking for new recruits

By Nicole Smith

Are you looking for an opportunity to serve your community?

The Didsbury and District Fire Authority is looking for volunteers wishing to lend a hand in responding to emergency situations in the area.

Local firefighter Greg Hnatiuk says that there are currently 21 volunteers within the area, but that the authority needs at least three more to be at full staff.

"But, we will take as many as are willing to come out," Hnatiuk said.

He says that experience is not a necessity to become a firefighter, but that applicants must be at least 18 years of age and living and working within the Town of Didsbury.

As well, he says that recruits must be able to respond to calls during working hours.

Hnatiuk says that it would be nice if recruits had their First Aid and CPR tickets prior to joining, but that it is not necessary, as all training will be provided.

Once interested persons have filled out an application form and a security clearance form, there is a three-month probation period where the basics of firefighting are taught to the candidates. Hnatiuk says that Firefighting I and Firefighting II are taught in-house, as well as other courses related to the position.

After the courses are completed, recruits are then given a fire pager and are expected to respond to emergency situations around Didsbury.

Hnatiuk says that if anyone is interested in becoming a firefighter in Didsbury, they can stop by the Fire Hall any Wednesday evening after 7 p.m. and pick up all appropriate forms.

He says that firefighters are vital to the survival of a community.

"This is an opportunity to help your community out," he said. "It is a necessary evil that we need a fire department and that we need firefighters."

OPINIONS EDITORIAL

Turning around



Nicole
SMITH

It's funny. This past week I was digging through issues of the paper that are dated from around this time last year.

The papers were just filled with news that the Didsbury Hospital may be closing its doors to emergency and acute care patients. I had pages and pages of letters from angry residents, as well as a few seething editorials written by myself.

Now, close to one year later, we see wonderful news for our seniors on the front page of this newspaper, telling of a significant funding contribution from Health Authority 5.

Last Friday morning, a press conference was held here in town, where the authority announced a contribution of \$440,000 to be put towards a senior's lodge for the older residents of our community.

The Mountain View Management Board, who are in charge of building and managing this lodge, have been working non-stop to raise funds for the project. Contributions had started dwindling down, so this recent announcement has come at a perfect time.

This means that the lodge is no longer a possibility, but is now a reality. The board has enough funding to begin construction on the first 20 units within the 50-plus unit facility.

It's amazing how things have done a complete turnaround in just one year's time.

Where HA5 was once considered a somewhat "secret society" who seemed to operate without a lot of public input, now they are truly working on behalf of their residents and have become accountable to those people who require their services.

Many attribute these changes to the new CEO Al Martin, and I tend to agree. Mr. Martin is always available to talk to about issues regarding our authority and is very up front about any changes or betterment the authority has planned for its residents.

As a member of the media, I remember the days a year ago when phone calls were never returned, statements were never made and administration seemed to have gone into hiding.

The changes that I've seen over the past 12 months are a great start for the authority. As a voice for my readers, as well as a resident of HA5, I hope that the changes made by the authority continue to be beneficial to its residents and that this isn't the calm before the storm as many are suggesting.



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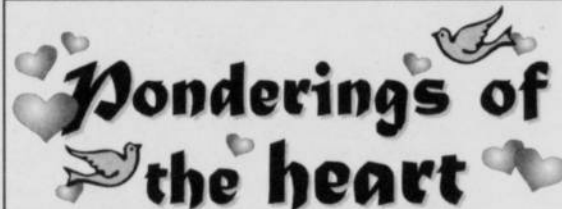
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on the opposite side of the street.

When hauling garbage to the dump in a truck and/or trailer, the garbage has to be tied down or tarped over to prevent the garbage from falling out. The fine under the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act, section 170(2), "Improper transportation of waste on a highway" is \$115.00.



Wonderings of the heart

The Little Boy - The Doll - and the Fire Truck

By Margaret Fradley

Years ago I heard a story which warmed my heart and needs to be shared.

A small boy, let's call him Tommy, lived in the slum area of a large city. He and his little sister had been invited to a Christmas Party; however the night of the party Tommy's sister was ill and could not go. So he was forced to go alone.

Following a time of games, singing, and lunch there were gifts to be given out to each child. As each child's name was called, they were to go and choose a gift from under the tree.

Tommy sat in suspense; how he would love to have the beautiful red fire truck, he had spotted earlier. Finally his name was called. Slowly he made his way to the front. Yes, the fire truck was still there, but out of the corner of his eye he saw a "baby doll" - his sister had never had a doll like that. With tears beginning to well up in his eyes and his heart beating, Tommy heard himself say, "I'll take that baby doll."

Tittering and giggling could be heard throughout the room. Clutching the doll in his arms, he ran out, tears streaming down his face.

When Tommy arrived home, and presented his sister with the doll, his tears suddenly dried up and he felt warm inside, as his sister hugged the doll close to her side.

A short time later, there was a knock at the door. Tommy answered the door and there was the lady from the party with several of the children. They had not known about Tommy's sister, and were so sorry. They had also brought something with them. Could it be - yes, it was the so sought after, beautiful red truck.



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MLA Column

On October 30, the government held a public meeting in Fort Saskatchewan to give Albertans the opportunity to hear how the Alberta Heritage Savings Fund is working for them.

The Heritage Fund was set up in 1976 as a source of income when oil and gas revenues are gone. It has gone through some changes since its creation, with a new focus on providing greater long-term financial returns, and still provides Alberta with a steady stream of income to help pay for the province's needs. What started out as a \$2.2 million investment is currently worth \$12.3 billion (cost value).



**Richard
Marz**

On the heels of a strong year in 1999-2000, when the Fund earned nearly \$1.2 billion from investments, the first quarter of this year also looks promising. The Endowment Portfolio of the Fund recorded a net income of \$153 million - an increase of \$35 million over the same period last year. And for this fiscal year (ending March 31, 2000), the net income forecast is \$850 million.

In the 90's, the Heritage Savings Trust Fund was restructured towards longer-term investment goals. Albertans said that they didn't want the Fund to be used for specific capital projects anymore; and we listened. In order to accommodate this shift, the Fund was divided into two distinct portfolios - the Transition Portfolio to support the immediate fiscal needs of the Province and the Endowment Portfolio to maximize long term results.

Each year, some money is transferred from the Transition Portfolio to the Endowment Portfolio. During the first quarter this year, \$450 million was transferred and if market conditions allow, the total 2000-2001 transfer could reach \$2.4 billion, which is double the 1999-2000 transfer. If this happens, final restructuring of the Fund could be completed ahead of the planned date of 2005.

The Heritage Fund has investments in bonds, real estate, domestic stocks, foreign stocks and other financial instruments. This year will mark the final payment of loans given out to other provinces. Between 1977 and 1982, six provinces borrowed money from the Heritage Fund - Manitoba, Quebec, Newfoundland, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. The last of these loans will be paid back this year. There have been no defaults and all interest has been paid.

Albertans see direct benefits from the Heritage Fund today. Some of the money generated from investments goes to Alberta's General Revenue Fund. From there, money is used to help fund health care, education, roads and all sorts of other programs. Those are benefits we can see around us every single day.

It is important that the Fund is managed on a prudent basis and continues to focus on earning higher long-term returns, so the prosperity of today supports Alberta's legacy to future generations.

For more information, in general, on the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, please visit the Alberta Treasury website at www.treas.ab.ca or call my constituency office at 556-3132.



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How about a new voting system?

By Walter Robinson, Federal Director, Canadian Taxpayers Federation

On election night the votes of millions of Canadians didn't count. Once again, the Liberals won a majority of the seats in the House of Commons seats (172 of 301), with a minority of the popular vote (40.8 per cent). They now hold unchallenged and unaccountable power for the next four years or so, even though the majority of us voted against them. In 1997 and 1993, it was much the same story.

It's even worse in the provinces. In B.C., Quebec and Saskatchewan, each of the opposition parties received more votes than the current government.

And our electoral system exacerbates regional differences. The Canadian Alliance garnered about 1.9 million votes across the West for 64 of its 66 seats. But they also received more than one million votes in Ontario; for a paltry two seats.

Meanwhile, the Liberals cleaned house in Ontario with about 2.3 million votes - about twice as many votes as the Alliance but 50 times as many seats. In the West, this electoral perversion continues. The Liberals received about 950,000 votes across the West - about half the Alliance - but got only one-fifth as many seats.

In our system, some votes count more than others. The Liberals needed about 5.2 million votes to win 172 seats in Parliament - an average of about 30,000 votes per seat.

The Alliance needed an average of about 49,000 votes for each of its 66 seats. And NDP and Conservatives needed averages of about 84,000 and 130,000 votes respectively to win their 13 and 12 seats in the House.

Canada is one of just five major to still use this outdated system. Even Great Britain has started to abandon it. Recent elections in Ireland, Scotland and Wales employed preferential ballots or proportional representation.

Under proportional representation, the distribution of seats and power is a function of the popular vote cast for respective candidates and/or parties.

If Monday's seats were allocated based on a pure proportional model, the Commons seat tally would be: Liberal, 123 (instead of 172); Alliance, 77 (instead of 66); Conservatives, 37 (instead of 12); Bloc Quebecois, 32 (instead of 38); NDP, 26 (instead of 13); and six "others" would each have won a seat instead of being shut out.

Versions of proportional representation systems are employed in more than 90 jurisdictions

and can be tailored to reflect the needs of different countries. For example, some people believe a German system of combining first past the post and proportional representation might be suitable to Canada.

In such a system you have more opportunity to vote for a political party rather than against it. And strategic voting becomes a thing of the past.

Moreover, voter turnout is higher, by about 8%, in proportional systems. Canada has seen a disturbing decline in voter turnout over the past four elections from 75% in 1984 and 1998 to 69.6% in 1993 to 67% in 1997. Monday's turnout was a mere 62.8%!

Some may argue that this is a function of a vicious mudslinging campaign, but an equally compelling argument posits that voters increasingly feel that their vote just doesn't count.

Canada needs a new voting system so citizens must raise their voices. Monday's vote marked the end of one campaign. The campaign for voting reform has just begun.

(This article is condensed from the original OPED, co-authored with Judy Rebick, which ran in the *Globe and Mail*, on November 29, 2000.

It can be found at www.taxpayer.com.)

Send In The Clowns

By Mitchel Gray Provincial Director Canadian Taxpayers Federation

Like most Albertans you probably think the days of the province throwing taxpayer money away on questionable grants are long since over. Ha! If only it was true.

O.K., Alberta has cleaned up its act on the grant front. The *Business Financial Assistance Limitation Act* has reduced the incidence of public dollars being eaten up by failing businesses - no more Vencap experiments or Novatel disasters. And the grants that continue to exist have been streamlined with an accompanying reduction in bureaucracy and cost. But don't think for a moment that the province has overcome its need for a grant fix.

Take, for example, \$1 million in grants given to Riverwood Productions Inc. to film a 26 episode ½ hour drama series entitled "Caitlin's Way." Or how about \$10,157 to Missing Link Productions Inc. to come up with an hour-long documentary entitled "Micro Loans in Canada and the Philippines." TV not your thing?

Well, you can always take in a puppet show courtesy of Judd Palmer who received \$9,000 for an experimental puppet production for adults entitled "The Portrait." Feel the need to laugh and cry?

Clown performances are available from the Alberta

Clown Theatre Society who received \$65,280 from a plethora of grants.

Perhaps you're looking for something a little more provocative? How about a production of "Touch" (\$2,000), "Bent" (\$7,000), or "Kink" (\$7,400) to satisfy your burning desire for publicly funded artistic performances?

The list goes on and on. But you get the idea. The provincial government seems to have more dollars than sense when it comes to delivering services.

The aforementioned grants were awarded by the Alberta Foundation for the Arts, just one of many grant distributing agencies.

The Foundation for the Arts churns out over \$16 million worth of grants each year on its own and is also responsible for another \$5 million for the Alberta Film Development program.

That's a lot of money.

There seems to be no shortage of projects to fund with the Foundation flying through approximately 1,200 grant approval each year.

Many recipients receive multiple grants for similar, if not identical, projects and other grants are bestowed on different groups for the same purpose (i.e. grants to the Full Moon Folk Club, the Northern Lights Folk Club, the Rocky Mountain Folk Club, etc., etc.).

Some of the grants look suspiciously like business subsi-

dies with book and magazine publishers receiving funds to cover their costs of production. Even big name celebrities like country music star George Fox are getting into the act (pardon the pun).

Although there's no indication that Mr. Fox profited from an Alberta grant himself, Gfs Productions Ltd. did receive \$60,000 to put together the "George Fox Special" Christmas TV show.

So what's going on here? Is this really how Albertans want to see public money spent?

Why are we throwing money at TV and movie producers when we could be buying more MRI machines to shorten health care waiting times or hiring more teachers to reduce class sizes?

If all these productions were truly worthwhile wouldn't people pay out of their own pocket to see them?

Why are we footing the bill for "art" that, for all intents and purposes, has no value or meaning to the vast majority of Albertans?

Sure the grants are derived from the Alberta Lottery Fund, but so what.

The bottom line is that the money is public money. It's time to start thinking about whether these grants are truly in the public interest or whether the money would be better spent elsewhere.

And let's face it - there really isn't much to think about.

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A Christmas Message

Rev. R. W. Cheesmur, Bergen Missionary Church, 1970

Quietly, like snow, He came,
During the night,
While men were sleeping
Heedless, wrapped in themselves,
He wrapped the world in white;
Wrapped it around in love,
To hide its scars, and cover all its hate
With sparkling grace,
And give, for cold and callous sinning,
Deep drifts of mercy.

No sound disturbed the stillness, no earth
quake tremor,
No trumpet flourish,
Though some, a few,
Keeping sheep-vigil on the Bethlehem plain,
Awoken in whispered awe,
That from the high, star-studded canopy
Voices were heard, and angel hosts were seen
Who sang of peace on earth, and brotherhood,
And God's good will to men.

But not for ever could the manger birth be kept
a secret,
For, just as snowfall in the night
Is seen at daybreak through the frosted panes,
So, as that Life, begun among us, grew,
And, man-shaped, walked the Galilean lanes,
The world looked out, became aware of heav-
en's gift,
And Common people, like the shepherds, saw
And welcoming, worshipped.

But snow's not meant to stay,
And soon, the great night-guarded secret out,
The thaw sets in.
The blinding whiteness fades, earth's elements

show through,
And alien hate, resolved on murder,
With violent hands the Christ Child crucifies,
And Christmas now gives place to Calvary.

The King, once manger-cradled,
Hangs from an ugly cross;
For wise men's homage, wears a crown of
thorns,
For gold, transfixing nails,
For frankincense, spittle and cussing,
For myrrh, mad mockery and loneliness,
And, like the snow, all melted clean away,
Leaving the dark earth bare and unbeautified,
Seems now the grace of God departed,
And love and peace gone from the realms of
men.

But hope's not gone, love's not entombed for
ever!
Winter must bow to spring,
And Easter brings a glad, new song from
heaven's messengers,
"He is not here, He's risen, as He said!"

Now Pentecost has come,
And melted snows begin their ministry:
Streams to supply the thirst of growing things,
Replenished rivers, hastening on their way
To turn great turbines, bringing light and
power
Within the reach of millions.

All this, Because He came one night
Quietly to earth... "For God so loved..."
Let Him come quietly to where you are,
Be cradled in your heart, to live and grow,
And, through your new-found summer,
Bring warmth and radiance to the world you
know.

Notes from Nigeria

Dear Friends,

This past weekend was the Senior play. We had planned on going Friday night but on Thursday the director, Ward Nicholson, was looking for someone to video tape the play. Dan sort of volunteered me but I willingly agreed to try. Due to a variety of circumstances nothing was filmed up until 15 minutes before the play was to begin. It was a bit of a disaster. I was using the school's camera and I had never used it before. Since it was a last minute thing I just got it set up (with help from Mark, another teacher) when the lights went out and the play started. It has automatic labeling, so it said Happy Thanksgiving in large letters through the middle of the picture. I did not know how to get that off and in the dark I could not see enough to figure it out. Also the instruction booklet was missing - not returned by the previous user. (I did get it the next day.)

Fifteen minutes into the play the battery died. At the end of the first act I got Mark to come help and we put a charged battery in and managed to figure out how to get Happy Thanksgiving off. Ok, at least I can get part of the play. I'd work on getting the second half, after the intermission, and only have to redo the first part. About 15 minutes before the end of the play the second battery died. I spent time of Friday reading the instruction book, recharging batteries and making sure I

knew how to use the thing.

Friday night's taping went much better. At least the power stayed on throughout the time. Ward asked me to try again on Saturday from a different spot in the auditorium and to try to zoom in more to get facial expression. So I was back again on Saturday night with a string of several extension cords, stabilizer and transformer. The first act went pretty well though I ended up watching the play through the video camera's screen. The only problem was a power outage when one of the many connections came loose. There we were in the dark scrambling to check all the connections but we got it back on before the next scene started. The second half did not go so well. The brand new tape that I had, did not work. While we

fiddled around with it we missed some of the play. We put the tape from the first half in but it only lasted about 20 minutes. I knew there was another used tape in the camera bag so I reach in and popped that in. All of this was going on in the dark. At the next scene change I realized that I had put the cleaning tape in and had tried to record on it. I pulled the correct tape out of the bag and popped it in only to find that it had not been rewound and so there was only of few minutes left on it. Once it ran out I rewound it and started taping from the beginning of the tape and taped to the end of the play. So I got bits and pieces of the second act and had the middle of the play on the end of the tape and the end of the play.

Sincerely, Dan and Janet Snyder



HEALTH AUTHORITY 5

NOTICE: Carstairs Medical Clinic

Effective December 1, 2000 Health Authority 5 will be assuming the medical practice of Dr. Qureshi who has retired his practice in Carstairs.

Health Authority 5 is actively recruiting a physician to assume this practice in the Carstairs/Cremona/Didsbury area. We anticipate having a new physician in the Carstairs clinic by mid-January, 2001.

Should you require assistance, please contact the clinic at 337-3121 or Health Authority 5 at 403-823-5245 (1-877-777-5395 toll free), attention Al Martin, CEO.



Partners in Health

Didsbury's Christmas programs need help

Dear Editor,

This first year of the new Millennium is fast coming to an end and with that Christmas. Wow! Linda Regner and I are again planning the annual Christmas Helpers Program. When asked whether we were doing it again we replied, "It's what we do at Christmas." It is a privilege to help our neighbors, living within our town and area, have a bright spot in a hard year. As we have done many years of this program we still remember the tears of joy, the smiles and the appreciation of those we have delivered to in the past. This could never be classed as a job, but rather a special opportunity to share the true meaning of Christmas, that of giving, to others in a very practical way.

Thank-you in advance to those service groups, businesses, individuals who in the past have given so unselfishly to help make this a success. "Want to help?" Unwrapped gifts can be given at the Post Office. Money can be given to Zion Evangelical Missionary Church re "Hampers" - it will be used to purchase food and turkeys.

Do you know some individuals or families that can use this kind of help? Please phone Maureen at the Zion Evangelical Missionary Church Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at 335-3629 with address, phone number, ages and sex of kids.

Want to help? We will wrap gifts - December 22 at 6:30, and assemble food boxes - December 23 at 9:30 to 12:00. All activities are at the Zion Evangelical Missionary Church. Your help will be appreciated.

Sincerely
Linda Sirt

Many **THANKS** from the

Didsbury Municipal Library.

For the donations of door prizes and gifts we thank:

Alcom Insurance	Fitness FX	Radajo Esthetics
Banner Pharmacies	Macy's Restaurant	Ribbons & Bow
Countryside Florists	Mug's Coffee House	Sidestreet
Cut 'n Loose Hair Design	Potentials	Stage West
		Ward Value Drug Mart

For their assistance with putting on the event:

Claude Baril	Grant Hemming	Brian Konsinski
Theresa McNeil	David Konsinski	Len McKelak
Lone Pine Cheese Company	Kaja Prokopetz	Ross Ford School
Didsbury Volunteer Firefighters	Doug Logie	The Town Crew

Of course, it could not be a show without the fine fictions of
Potentials, Sidestreet and Wendy's Choice

And finally we appreciate all of you who supported us by buying tickets and hope to see you back next year!

TOWN OF DIDSBURY

Town Office: 8:30 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.	335-3391	Library Hours: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Tues.-Sat.	335-3142
Shop Hours: 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.	335-8343	10 a.m. - 8 p.m. Wed.	
Landfill Site Hours: 1 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. Mon., Wed., Fri., Sat.		Lions Recycling Centre	335-8193
Didsbury Aquatic Centre Schedule	335-8653	Main Street Project Office	335-3265
Memorial Complex & Aquatic Centre	335-7369	Rosebud Valley Campground	335-8578

RE: UTILITIES

Due to a typing error the due date on the current utility bills reads incorrectly. The correct due date should read as

DECEMBER 22, 2000

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

New Development Permit Applications

The following Development Permits have been issued for the following proposed developments:

• DP 138-00	1301 20 Street	Cold Storage Building	11
• DP 138-00	10 Westpoint Dr.	Single Family Dwelling	81

Further information may be obtained at the Town Office, 2037 - 19 Ave. or by calling 335-3391. Persons wishing to appeal any of these decisions must do so in writing to the secretary, Development Appeal Board, prior to 4:30 p.m. on December 20, 2000.

Robert Wigg - Development Officer.

Town Office
Town of Didsbury Public Meetings
Regular Council: Dec. 13
Corporate Services: Dec. 12

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Crossing guards vital to safe streets in Didsbury

On any given school day, between 3:10 and 3:35, approximately 1100 students will pass through the narrow corridor between Ross Ford Elementary School and the Didsbury High School, sharing that small space with many motorists, cyclists and bus drivers. Each day at 3:10, a group of dedicated students wearing bright orange and yellow vests position themselves at the crosswalks between these two schools to ensure that pedestrians and motorists alike proceed safely through the area to continue on their way home.

This may not be as easily accomplished as one might think. The fact is that a child is more likely to be a victim of traffic trauma than of any form of illness or disease. In an article in *The Globe and Mail* in October, 1999, this fact was illustrated by a set of accident statistics produced by The Canadian Institute of Child Health. The studies revealed that:

- Traffic injuries are the leading cause of death and injury for Albertans under 30.
- The fall months - October, November, and December - are the most deadly for child pedestrians.
- Six percent of injuries happen to children on the way to school and 30 percent on the way home from school. Friday is the most dangerous day.
- Mid-block crossing is the single most likely reason for injury.
- Two-thirds of children's

injuries occur in clear, sunny conditions. Eighty per cent occur in daylight.

- About 12 per cent of rush-hour traffic in cities consist of parents in private cars escorting their children to school.

- The principle reason that so many younger children are struck down while walking is that they lack the ability, physically or developmentally, to make safe judgements about traffic.

The School Safety Patrol is an excellent example of a community-based partnership between schools, police and the Alberta Motor Association. In the 63-year history of the program, there has not been a single fatal pedestrian collision at a patrolled crosswalk.

In Didsbury, the safety patrol is made up of 42 patrollers from Grades 5 and 6 at Westglen School. They undergo intensive training in the fall from Colleen Sim-Copeland of the AMA and are evaluated on a regular basis to make sure that the high standards of the AMA program are maintained. The students attend monthly meetings to review rules and responsibilities and to voice any concerns they might have regarding their duties.

Each week, a different team reports for duty at 3:00 p.m. The Captain dons a patrol vest and picks up an Officer's Record Book. Lieutenants pick up their vests and make sure they have their whistles. It is their responsibility to determine a safe

time for pedestrians to cross and a sharp blast on their whistle is the signal for the patrollers to set up or clear the crosswalk. Two patrollers are scheduled to work with each lieutenant. There are three patrolled crossings for them to man. So each day, ten members of the School Safety Patrol are on duty and prepared to escort parents and students safely across the busy streets bordering the schools.

The first tour of duty for rookie patrollers is quite an eye opener and they are routinely shocked at the lack of respect and outright carelessness of both motorists and the very pedestrians they are helping. Unbelievable as it sounds, even a few adults have sworn at patrollers, used vulgar language and rude gestures. Older students are sometimes rude and unwilling to follow the instructions of the patrollers. Cyclists forget that when they are riding, they must also obey the rules of the road, such as riding on the right side of the roadway and stopping at stop signs. Vehicles seem extra large and dangerous when they refuse to stop at the double line before the crosswalk and pull right up to the crosswalk itself.

Then, of course, there are the drivers who really don't have time to stop for the patrollers - so they don't stop at all and drive right on through. There have even been instances where motorists have driven right between the patrollers who are



STOP!
Each afternoon after school lets out, Didsbury's numerous crossing guards get right to work.

already positioned in the crosswalk.

With their new awareness of the hazards of traffic control and the real risks that they present, the patrollers are even more determined to make their crosswalks safe. They promptly report any motorist who seems to be creating a dangerous situation. The licence number, a description of the car and the driver, if possible, are recorded and a complaint filled out and forwarded to the RCMP detachment for followup. The patrol quickly becomes very efficient at recognizing infractions and observing details needed for an accurate report to be filed.

The Westglen School Safety Patrol is supervised by Judy McKetiak. She is "on patrol" with the students most days but feels that more adult supervision would be an enormous help. Constable Steve Woolnough helps out when he can and parents of the patrollers have been volunteering time when their child has been on patrol duty. However, many of these parents work outside the home and can't find time to help out. If anyone in the community would like to help out in this respect, please call Judy McKetiak at Westglen School.

The School Safety Patrol is partially funded by the three schools in Didsbury and by a grant from the Community Services Board. If any individual, business or service club would be interested in helping to spon-

sor the school patrol, again, please call the school. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

There are several ways that the work of the School Safety Patrol could be made a lot safer and easier:

1. Speak to your own children and emphasize the importance of obeying traffic rules and respecting the instructions from the patrollers.
2. Obey traffic signs in the area around the schools, e.g. right turn only out of the Ross Ford parking lot, no driving in the bus lanes, drive 30 km/h OR LESS in the school zone especially at peak times, stop at the double lines before the crosswalk.
3. If at all possible, avoid picking children up right at the school. The patrollers are there to help younger children cross the road. Arrange to pick them up away from the congested area between the two schools.
4. If you really feel that you can't afford to be held up by the patrollers controlling traffic, avoid the area altogether.
5. Always use crosswalks yourself when coming to pick up your children.
6. Never motion to your children to cross the street to your vehicle.
7. Show respect for the efforts of the School Safety Patrol. They are children doing their best to make sure that other children, your children, are safe on the street after school.

Sons of Norway News

By Noreen Olson

Our November meeting opened with the usual formalities and good attendance. We sang the National Anthems accompanied by our new tape made for us by Sonya Kennedy. Correspondence included Applications for Scholarship programs, registration forms from Grand Prairie's Sports Weekend which will be held March 2, 3, 4, 2001, news of a new Lodge in Hamilton Montana, thank you from the Canadian Foundation for recent donations, and a Ski For Light Newsletter. We also have the Fabulous Fourth Footnotes, Minutes of the Convention in Stavanger, Heritage Hi-Lites and Resource Magazine. A charming letter from Ruby Bruniski's granddaughter, Rayanne Olson, thanked us for sponsoring her to camp and a letter from Marlene Hunter thanked us for our support in her recent loss.

The application for a Foundation Grant was discussed and we decided to apply for money to buy a Lefse Griddle. This will

be used for preparing food for special occasions and for cooking classes.

Noreen gave a report from the Executive meeting and reports were given from Sports and Culture Directors. Olga says that supplies are on hand for the Gingerbread project at the Christmas party and classes in Hardanger, Ethnic Cooking and Rosemaling will not begin until after the Torske Supper in January. Olga also asked if anyone was willing to take on the job of promoting a book club with an idea of getting some members to apply for their badges in the study of Norwegian Literature.

Everything is pretty well in place for the Christmas party even to a volunteer Santa, the Wildrose Harmonizers will entertain and the food will be wonderful as usual. Moved by Inga Fobes that besides the usual goodie bags we provide wrapped gifts for the children. Each family is asked to bring a wrapped gift to put under the tree.

John Kamp reported from the

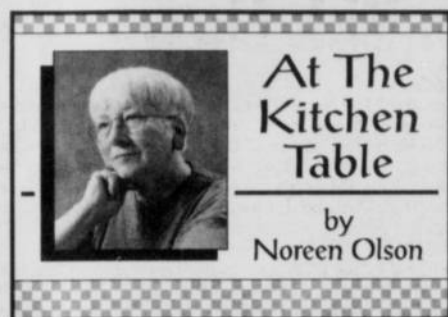
Foundation in Canada. This year 12 Scholarships of \$600. each and 4 Bursaries from \$250. to \$750. were awarded. We now have a system in place to use stamps for children's projects in Canada instead of our usual practice of saving them for a Handicapped Children's program in Norway. Moved that we use our stamps for the Canadian program. In order to plan transportation to Grand Prairie we have to know how many people are going. Please let Leif know right away.

Early in the New Year we plan to have an open house and invite guests. Norwegian finger foods will be served, entertainment is planned.

A committee has been appointed but we will need everyone assistance. This could be an exciting event.

Under Good of The Order, Olga presented Barb Olson with her third bar in the Cooking Skills Program. Congratulations Barb

Next meeting is Jan. 26 2001. 8 PM. Guests are welcome.



At The Kitchen Table

by
Noreen Olson

This was the day that I was going to write the Christmas letter. A cheery little epistle on pretty Christmassy paper, all about our idyllic life in the country, the joy of birdsong, the delight in witnessing the seasons change, dainty deer eating apples in our garden, crisp white snow, hoarfrost on the spruce trees against blue Alberta skies. Well somehow I was not in the mood for bucolic bliss and true to form I found something to do that seemed important enough to allow me to put off the letter. I spent most of the day working on coats.

Ralph and I have new coats. His is green, down filled, lots of nice deep pockets some of which are zippered. It is very nice, a bit bulky looking, longish, and quite different than his last one which was red and black, more sporty looking and shorter. Mine is teal, and except for the color it is almost exactly like the last 5 coats I have owned. I hate coats and hats and mitts, gloves, scarves and boots. I hate all bulky awkward freedom inhibiting winter clothes and I guess it comes through in my shopping habits. I put off buying clothes until it's absolutely necessary or until Ralph puts his foot down. I think it was my beige quilted model that he hated the most. "Buy a new coat," he said, "or we will be traveling in different vehicles and sitting at different tables."

Counting my new teal coat I now have 4 very similar coats in different stages of wear and disrepair. Actually I have 5 but I don't suppose we can count the old beige one that the barn cats are sleeping on. The pink one is really only fit for delivering calves but this still leaves a red and a burgundy that aren't that bad. I decided to wash them both, replace missing buttons and reinforce loose ones, check for any small repairs and then donate them to some worthy cause. The tags say "dry clean only" but I always wash them and they turn out just fine. Usually they are just fine. Last year I washed Ralph's big chore jacket and in an effort to really de-grease it I poured in what I thought was ammonia but was actually bleach so the coat developed a sort of Appaloosa look. Nice and clean though, and he says the warmth is not affected.

Since I was in coat washing mode I did his current chore jacket (without bleach) and discovered that the cuffs were getting frayed. I mended the cuffs and then went on to inspect other closets and other coats. I brushed dust from the shoulders of a favorite red wool that I have not worn in years but still think that I will, shook out a couple of my Dad's heavy shirts that I have not been able to part with, checked that Ralph's leather jacket was on a good wide hanger. Who'd have thought that I could spend most of the day just fiddling with coats for 2 people!

Do you remember when fake fur made it's debut? I had a long blond one and when I told someone that it was Borg, which was the manufacturers name, they asked "what kind of an animal does Borg fur come off of?" Remember car coats? They were all tan colored with fur lapels, everyone had one and then there were Hudson's Bay Blanket Coats, you could look across a hockey arena and see hundreds of them, mine was red with black trim. Remember when everyone wore parkas? And remember fake leather that smelled like 24D and remember when we all aspired to real fur? Real sheepskin is supposed to be acceptable because the meat is also used, so killing the animal is not just a wasteful act that caters to female vanity. This should make rabbit acceptable and Muskrat and Beaver might be edible but I don't think I could manage fox or coyote.

I feel quite virtuous about having all the coats in such good shape. I wonder what I can do tomorrow in order to not write the Christmas letter.

OKCS students celebrate Christmas and spirit of giving

by April C. D. Barton

An evening of music celebrating the blessings of Christmas will be performed Thursday, December 14 by the 250 students from Olds Koinonia Christian School.

Various contemporary and traditional tunes of the festive season will be performed by the Grades 1-12 students, as well as selections from the ECS class on the bells and instrumental numbers by the combined Junior and Senior High School bands.

Master of Ceremonies for the evening will be OKCS Principal Garry Anderson, with musical direction by music teacher Claire Shum. According to Miss Shum, students have been preparing for this annual Christmas event since October.

There is no admission to the musical evening which will begin at 7:00 p.m. at Olds First Baptist Church. Following the concert, refreshments and festive baking for Koinonia families will be offered in the church's Fellowship Hall.

In other Koinonia News...The Grade Five class got a first-hand look Tuesday at the Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child project when they delivered shoeboxes to the distribution warehouse in Calgary. Following the school's six-week 'Shoebbox' campaign, 280 shoe boxes were donated from the 250 students at OKCS!

"The trip was way-too cool," said Mariah Barton, Grade 5 student. "It really impressed me, especially the 'hospital' where they would take the boxes that had barely anything in them and fill them up with whatever it needed."

Samaritan's Purse are estimating to receive about 600,000 shoeboxes this year which are destined for countries in South America.

"Samaritan's Purse is so generous that they even give water filters away for clean water," said fellow student Michael Abel. "Samaritan's Purse is a good thing!" Grade Five teacher Donna Reed describes the Shoebbox participation from the OKCS families as "overwhelming."

Academic notes...With the results of the standardized Provincial Achievement Tests now available, the staff at Olds Koinonia Christian School are pleased with their students' accomplishments.

In all, 98.6% of students achieved the acceptable standard (50%) on the tests, while 31.3% achieved the Standard of Excellence (over 85%), said Principal Garry Anderson. "Our students displayed a very strong showing, and we are pleased with the results."

Provincially, 84% of Alberta students achieved the acceptable standard and 19.6% achieved the Standard of Excellence on the core subjects. Grade

3 students annually write the Math and Language Arts exams, while Grade 6 and 9 students write Science and Social Studies tests as well.

Anyone wanting to review the OKCS marks compared to the overall provincial average in invited to call the school at 556-4038, or sign on to the Olds Koinonia Christian School website at www.telusplanet.net/public/okcs. Look under: Newsletter, dated 12/10/2000.



TREAT TIME
Dora Johnson and Florence Cawsey were just a couple ladies selling their wares at the Hospital Auxiliary Tea and Sale last Friday afternoon.

**2034 19th Ave.
Didsbury**

DECEMBER SPECIALS

CHOCOLATE WAFERS 10% OFF
WALNUT CRUMBS .99/100G
PITTED DATES .55/100G
GOLDEN RAISINS .63/100G
VANILLA CARAMELS .69/100G
BAKING CHOCOLATE 10% OFF

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Great selection of Christmas Candy, trays & baskets.

BUY BULK & SAVE \$

DIDSBURY DRUGS

Kids Night
Dec. 14
6:30 - 8:30

- The Thursday night every kid looks forward to (Infant to 16 years)
- Free coffee at Mugs Coffee House for parents
- Parent helper supplied by "Just Done For Fun" after school program
- All packages gift wrapped and tagged
- We pay the G.S.T. on most items

335-3066

Words from Westglen School

by Brittany Derksen

Our programs at Westglen went shooting off into space. On November 22, 2000, several students from Westglen and from many other schools attended a program at Deer Meadow School in Olds. Mike Mullane was the guest speaker who is a former astronaut. The theme of his presentation was "leadership."

Mr. Mullane showed a great sense of humor and discussed what being in space is all about. He showed us a few slides of when he was in space.

Mr. Mullane said that life is like a box of chocolates. You never know what you are going to get. He left us with a few words to remember. Take care of your body, do your best in school, and study hard.

Also, Westglen students collected over 100 shoe boxes for needy children around the world. Our next WOW activity is collecting non-perishable food items for the local food bank. This food drive will take place between December 11 and 14.

Holiday fire safety tips

Cook safely

Cooking fires are very common during the holiday season in Alberta homes.

- Use a temperature-controlled deep fat fryer for frying. If you are using a pot, keep a proper fitting lid nearby. If a grease fire starts, carefully cover the pan with the lid to smother the flames.

- Never leave frying food or cooking oil unattended on a hot stove.

- Keep combustible materials such as paper, cardboard and plastics away from the stove.

- Wear short or tight-fitting sleeves when cooking. Loose sleeves can catch fire over the hot stove.

- Don't store things over or behind the stove. People burn themselves reaching over the stove.

- Avoid cooking when sleepy or drowsy from the influence of medication or alcohol.

- Turn pot handles in to prevent children from pulling them down.

- Do not use defective electrical appliances; have them checked and serviced.

Using candles

Candles are a major cause of destructive fires during Christmas.

- Avoid purchasing candles with flammable decorations such as paper spirals or foil.

- Mount candles firmly on metal or glass candleholders and place them in fire-resistant containers large enough to hold any melted wax.

- Never use lit candles to decorate a Christmas tree.

- Keep lit candles away from paper decorations, curtains, clothing and spray from aerosol cans.

- Never leave children or pets alone in a room with lit candles.

- Snuff candles out when the festivities are over. Never let candles burn down to the bottom.

- Forbid children and teenagers from lighting candles in bedrooms where the open flame can easily start a fire.

Space heater safety

- Place all space heaters at least one metre (three feet) away from anything that can burn (wallpaper, bedding, clothing).

- Turn off and unplug space heaters when you leave the room or go to sleep.

- Don't leave children or pets unattended with space heaters.

- Check electric space heaters for frayed cords or overheating. When unplugging, pull the plug, not the cord.

- Use only the recommended fuel for liquid-fuelled space heaters. Never use gasoline. Al-

ways turn off the heater and let it cool before refuelling.

- An unvented heater (non-electric) can produce deadly amounts of carbon monoxide. Ensure fumes are vented outdoors.

Fireplace safety

- Burn small amounts of wood at frequent intervals.

- Don't burn paper, wrapping paper or pine boughs. This can cause sparks to drift out of your chimney and ignite your roof or a neighbour's house. Also large fires or burning gift-wrap can set the creosote in your chimney on fire.

- Have your chimney checked by a professional each winter and cleaned if necessary.

- Use a screen in front of the fireplace to keep sparks and embers in.

- Never use gasoline or other flammable liquids to light a fire. The vapours will explode.

- Get rid of ashes in a metal container and never store them in your home.

- Make sure the fire is out before going to bed. Embers can re-ignite a fire.

Supervise children

Boredom, lack of supervision, curiosity and access to matches, lighters or open flames can lead a child to play with fire. Protect your children from fire this holiday season.

- Keep matches out of sight and out of reach of children.

- Supervise children at all times when they are in a room with a fireplace, Christmas tree, lit candles, space heater or other open flame or hot surface.

- Keep smoker's material out of children's reach. Children in homes where smokers live are more likely to play with fire.

Christmas tree safety

A Christmas tree can brighten your house, but make sure it isn't a fire hazard.

- Place the tree away from exits and heat sources.

- Never decorate a tree with burning candles.

- Check tree lights for damaged or loose connections. Discard damaged light sets.

- Replace burnt-out bulbs immediately or other bulbs may overheat and become a fire hazard. Replacement bulbs should have the correct wattage/voltage.

- Avoid overloading electrical outlets and inspect all extension cords before using.

- Switch the tree lights off at bedtime or when leaving the house.

- If a tree catches fire, do not try to move it.

Use a fire extinguisher, if available, to put out the flames.

If not, evacuate the house and call the fire department.

Keeping live trees safe

- The more fresh and moist a tree is, the safer it is.

- Select a tree with needles that do not pull easily from the branches or break when gently bent.

- Clean the tree stand with mixture of one cup of water and a capful of bleach.

- Re-cut the trunk diagonally five centimetres above the old cut and immediately place in water.

- Always keep the water level in the tree stand above the cut line.

- Remove the tree as soon as possible after the holidays.

- Never burn a tree in a fireplace or wood stove.

Keeping metallic trees safe

- Never use electric lights on metallic trees. Use spotlights to illuminate the trees from a safe distance.

Test your smoke alarm

Working smoke alarms provide early warning of smoke and fire danger.

- Test your smoke alarms to ensure they are in working condition by drifting smoke from a snuffed-out candle. The alarm should sound within 20 seconds. Fan away the smoke to silence the alarm.

- Clean your smoke alarms by gently vacuuming the inside. Also wipe the inside of the cover with a damp cloth.

- Replace non-working smoke alarms or dead batteries immediately.

- Never remove the batteries from smoke alarms for other uses or to silence them.

- Give the gift of life - wrap up a smoke alarm this Christmas!

Plan your escape

- Plan and practise a fire escape. Plan two ways out of every room.

Be careful when smoking

- Never smoke in bed or when drowsy from medication or alcohol.

- After a party, check for fallen cigarette butts, especially in sofas and behind cushions. A fallen cigarette butt can smoulder for hours and start a deadly fire on upholstered furniture.

- Keep matches and lighters away from children.

- Let cigarette butts and ashes cool in a covered metal container or flush down the toilet. Do not dispose of them in the trash can with other combustibles.

Jackson W.I. News

Submitted by Noreen Olson

Judy Bellamy was hostess for the November meeting and chose Eidelweiss for the opening song. President Marie Scott offered a bit of wisdom in the form of a poem, Pauline Johnson's Lullaby of the Iroquois. Roll call was "A Favorite Quotation by a Canadian," and we have no shortage of quotable Canadians, they included; Bob Edwards, John Deifenbaker, VanHorne, Red Green, Adelaide Hoodless, Pauline Johnson, P.E. Trudeau and several others.

Correspondence included the Presidents letter which invited us to the opening of the new Provincial office in Wetaskiwin, asked for applicants for the job of Handicraft Convenor and gave us information on the ACWW Convention in Hamilton Ontario June 11 to 18 2001. We are invited to design a LOGO or picture to be used exclusively on AWIT-shirts, Tote bags, mugs etc. Paintings, line drawings, graphic design, symbolic art or whatever your medium may be sent to the new office. We are also reminded that 2001 is The Year of the Volunteer.

President Marie Scott read an article in regard to the group that is trying to form an Organization that is made up of various women's groups with a view to working together toward better financial conditions for the Agricultural Industry. We are interested to see how widespread this organization will become.

Dorit Bird volunteered to hold the planning meeting for next year's agenda. Executive and education convenors will meet at her house at 1:30 Nov. 23. MJ Davies reported on plans for Constituency Conference. Jackson's suggestion for next years Handicraft list is an item made from denim, recycled or new and Dorit gave us a demonstration and several suggestions for projects. It was moved that we send our annual donation to the CNIB.

The Christmas meeting will be held at Darlene Hallett's on December 13. Roll Call is, Tell a random act of kindness, bring a gift for a child and a cash donation for the food bank. Lunch will be a bit of Christmas baking from the M to Z section of the group. Guests are welcome.



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Focus on the Family



QUESTION: Are there times when good, loving parents don't like their own kids very much?

DR. DOBSON: Yes, just as there are times in a good marriage when husbands and wives don't like each other for a while. What you should do in both situations is hang tough.

Look for ways to make the relationship better, but never give up your commitment to one another. That is especially true during the teen years, when the person we see will be very different in a few years. Wait patiently for him or her to grow up. You'll be glad you did.

QUESTION: I majored in education at a state university and was taught that children will provide their own motivation to learn if we give them an opportunity to do so. My professors favored a "student-led" classroom instead of one that depends on strong leadership from the teacher. The children will then want to learn rather than being forced to learn. Do you see it that way?

DR. DOBSON: I certainly agree that we should try to motivate kids to work and study and learn. They'll enjoy the process more and retain the information longer if their motivation comes from within. So I think your professors are right in saying that we should capitalize on students' natural interest whenever we can. But it is naive to believe that any educational program can generate that kind of interest in every subject and sustain it for a majority of students day in and day out. That is not going to happen.

Kids need to learn some things that may be boring to them, such as math or grammar, whether they choose to or not. A former superintendent of public instruction in California reacted to the notion that children have a natural interest in everything adults think they should know. He said, "To say that children have an innate love of learning is as muddle-headed as to say that children have an innate love of baseball. Some do. Some don't. Left to themselves, a large percentage of the small fry will go fishing, pick a fight, tease the girls, or watch 'Superman' on the boob tube."

This educator was right. Many students will not invest one more ounce of effort in their studies than is required, and that fact has frustrated teachers for hundreds of years. Our schools, therefore, must have enough structure and discipline to require certain behavior from children whether or not they have a natural interest in the subject being taught.

QUESTION: In one of your early books you talked about something you gave to your daughter that symbolized the importance of moral purity. Please describe it again.

DR. DOBSON: Yes, many years ago Shirley and I gave our daughter a small gold key. It was attached to a chain worn around her neck and represented the key to her heart. She made a vow to give that key to one man only — the one who would share her love through the remainder of her life. You might consider a similar gift for your daughter or a special ring for your son. These go with them throughout adolescence and provide a tangible reminder of the lasting, precious gift of abstinence until marriage and then fidelity to the mate for life. I still recommend this approach enthusiastically.

QUESTION: Our teen-age daughter has become extremely modest in recent months, demanding that even her sisters leave her room when she's dressing. I think this is silly, don't you?

DR. DOBSON: No. I would suggest that you honor her requests for privacy. Her sensitivity is probably caused by an awareness that her body is changing, and she is embarrassed by recent developments (or the lack of them).

This is likely to be a temporary phase, and you should not oppose her in it.

MITTENS ON STRINGS

The Grades 1, 3 and 4 classes put on a great show at their November concert at Ross Ford.



Ross Ford Report

By Jessie Flynn & Suzanne Baril

Christmas and Winter are what Ross Ford staff and students are thinking of. The students were excited to see the snow on the ground on November 30.

Miss Christensen and Mr. Johnson's 3D/4D class together with Mrs. Hohenwarter's 1C class sang in front of the school at the November 30 assembly. These classes wore red mittens and performed three songs and one poem about winter and colors.

Ms. Crockery's 2C class is making sheep to decorate their Christmas trees. They are making them out of cotton, pipe cleaners and ribbon.

We are all very excited about Christmas! Only 19 more sleeps!!

Mount View Lodge News

By Annie Caush

Hi all - Only a month until Christmas! It's hard to believe the year 2000 is nearly over. Next week we will be getting our Lodge all decorated for Christmas. Meanwhile, we have our regular activities here; exercises, B.I.N.G.O., Bible Study, Poetry reading etc. etc.. Several Residents and Wendy, our activity co-ordinator, reported a pleasant trip to Red Deer one day last week.

The November Birthday

Party was hosted by several auxiliary members and we had music provided by two sisters from the Didsbury area. They also led us in singing some familiar songs. Thanks so much! Those celebrating November

birthdays are Gladys Abra, Yvonne Craig, Laura Dickrow, Ivy Holmes, Lavina Ufland and Edna Weldon. Best wishes all! In Hospital we have Ida Gill and Edna Weldon. We hope to see you "home" soon!

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10:30 a.m. Every Sunday, Holy Eucharist
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Sunday School & Nursery Sept-June
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Chinook Winds Christian Centre

1710 - 14 St. Didsbury
SUNDAY CELEBRATION: 10 a.m.
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for all ages - Nursery Service
Alternate Sunday 6 p.m. Renewal Meetings
ph/fax: 335-3551 email: cwcc@coinet.ab.ca
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Pastoral Team: Richard & Beth Kope
See you at the centre!

Fortress Baptist Church

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Pastor Jim Warkentin • 335-4878
Sunday Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Meet you at the Station.

St. Anthony's Catholic

2030 - 24th Ave. Didsbury Phone 556-3084
Mass Time: 7:00 p.m. 1st Saturday

Berthel Mennonite Church

Didsbury, Alberta
5 kilometers south of the Didsbury overpass
8 kilometers East on Berthel Road
Summer Schedule (June 25 - Sept. 3)
Worship Service @ 10:45 a.m.
Children's Church (ages 3 - grade 3)
For more information phone
335-4451 (church office)

Redeemer Lutheran

LUTHERAN CHURCH CANADA
1500 - 23rd Street
Rev. Robert Mohrs
Church: 335-3161 / Res: 335-3656
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Adult Bible Study Sunday: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Holy Communion 1st & 3rd Sun. 10:30 a.m.
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throughout the week.

West Zion Mennonite Church

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Pastor Jim Miller. Information call 337-2020
Sept 1st-June 20th
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Worship Service 10:55 a.m.
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Zion Evangelical Missionary Church

2030 - 21st Avenue
Phone: 335-3629
Grant Sikstrom, Senior Pastor
Josh Munan, Associate Pastor
9:00 - 10:00 a.m. Celebration in Worship
11:15 - 12:30 p.m. Celebration in Worship
10:10 - 11:05 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages
Contact the church regarding Bible Studies, Care Groups, Teen Activities & Children's programs.

Mountain View Evangelical Missionary Church

(14 Kilometers East of Didsbury)
Pastor John Lucas
Office: 335-4422
Home: 335-8923
Sunday School For All Ages 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
For information concerning weekly activities
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a brief glimpse at people and
events in our community

Compiled by Kathleen Windsor



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Alta Vista Chiropractic Centre: Carolyn Olsen
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Contemporary Graphics: Gerry Zelmer
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Cut 'N Loose Hair Design: Linda Regner
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Didsbury Dry Cleaners: Wynne Wollen
Didsbury Esso, Food and Car Wash: Barb van Oosten
Didsbury Home Hardware: Ben Toews
Didsbury Inn: Gene Reimer
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Holmes Physical Therapy Clinic: Lorraine Johnson
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Rangeland Derby ... on Ice?

It might not be July, and the drivers might not be as famous as Tommy Glass and Kelly Sutherland, but it's chuckwagon season in Didsbury anyway! The 40th anniversary of the Boy Scouts Chuckwagon Races on Ice will be held on Saturday, December 9th from 1:30 - 4 p.m. at the Didsbury Memorial Complex. The Didsbury Troop will be competing against all other scout troops in our area, which goes from Bowden to Calgary and Sundre to Drumheller. "There's going to be at least ten teams this year," says Linda Rose, Group Chair. "It's going to be a lot of fun." The Cubs, Scouts, Ventures, and Rovers race for plaques, while the Beavers will be racing just for the fun of it. "Didsbury has hosted this event for the last few years," says Linda, "and most teams have their own chuckwagons." Some teams have never participated before though, so there'll be some new wagons too. "It should be quite interesting," Linda says with a laugh. The races are very similar to those seen at the Stampede, except of course, these races are on ice. "They run a Figure 8 and then go around the arena," says Linda, "and there may even be a Leaders' Challenge." And just like the big wagons, penalties are assessed for knocking over a barrel or tipping over a wagon. "There may also be some surprise entertainment as well," Linda says with a twinkle in her eye. It's only a loonie to come watch, and if you come early enough, you can enjoy the Scouts' soup, bread, and pie at the concession and their craft sale in the Multi-Purpose Room. The Craft Sale runs from 10 am to 4 pm, with admission being a donation to the Mountain View Food Bank. "The soup is very good," says Linda, "in fact, it's wonderful!" Funds raised from the craft sale, soup kitchen, and chuckwagon races will help some of Didsbury's local scouts go to the Scout Jamboree next summer. Be sure to slip-on over to the Complex on the 9th and join in on the fun.



Linda Rose



Trevor Sanche

Recycle your Christmas Trees

The Westglen Middle School's latest fundraiser is quite unique. It's not a bake sale or a craft table, but a Chip-a-thon. "We want to raise funds for the school," says teacher Trevor Sanche, "especially the ecological area north of the school." People are being asked to set their Christmas trees out in the front yard, and on January 2nd from 1 - 4 p.m., students, parents, and staff will be gathering the trees to recycle them. "It also serves as a student enrichment exercise," says Trevor, who has always been interested in recycling and environmental issues. "Christmas trees get disposed of in a variety of ways," he says, "but it is more responsible if we recycle them." The trees will be chipped by local arboriculturalist, Jerard Fournier, and the chips will be used in various locations in the ecological area and around the school. Due to the participation of several Didsbury businesses and the Chamber of Commerce, who have pledged funds per tree, this is a free service for townspeople. "If people could just put their trees out where we can get them," adds Trevor, "volunteers will pick them up. Just loose, not in plastic bags, with as much tinsel off as possible." Students and parents will remove any metal items, since those cannot go through the chipper, and hot chocolate will be served for those who participate. The Town office and Didsbury Fire Department are also in favour of this activity, so don't forget to put your trees out in the front yard, and help keep Westglen's Ecological Reserve a highlight in our community.

Scholarships Awarded

There are several scholarships available to students entering their first year of post-secondary education, but sometimes it's a little harder to be recognized for your efforts after a couple of years. Not true for Tanya Franz who is in her second year at Red Deer College, taking Early Childhood Development. Tanya is going to be presented with five awards on December 4th at a reception at the College. "I was nominated by my instructors for the Northlands Park award," says Tanya, "and also received the \$1,000. Jason Lang Memorial Award." Tanya deserves whatever recognition she gets. She was on the Honour Roll in high school and made the President's List at the end of the 1999 term. Tanya also received a letter of congratulations from the Honourable Richard Marz, MLA for Olds/Didsbury/Three Hills. As well, Tanya has been honoured with the Georgia Belkat ECD Diploma, the Northland Park Award, the Jason Lang Memorial Scholarship, the Can-West Publishing Academic Award and the Red Deer College Academic Achievement Award. After she's done her ECD, she plans to go for a degree in Recreational Therapy, then hopes to work at the Alberta Children's Hospital. "I want to work with Special Needs kids," she says. "That's my ultimate goal." Right now Tanya is doing her practicum at a playschool in Innisfail. "I spent a lot of time in the Alberta Children's Hospital when I was little," she says, "and I just enjoy doing things with kids." When asked what she likes to do in her spare time, Tanya says with a sigh, "homework". But that's okay, because it won't be long before she's able to meet her goals and help the young people who have inspired her. Congratulations Tanya!



Tanya Franz

Dragon's Den news: Volleyball season is here

It is hard to believe that it is already the month of December. Students, teachers and coaches have been very busy.

The volleyball teams did a great job. Special thanks to the coaches and parents who helped with the teams.

The Senior Girls Volleyball

The Senior girls team finished a strong season with a great showing at zones in Beiseker, just getting edged out in the quarter finals. Thanks to everyone who supported us throughout the season. Great season ladies!

The Senior Boys Volleyball

The Senior boys travelled to Airdrie where they participated in the South Central Zones. The young team played through numerous injuries to finish third in their pool. In the quarter finals they played the eventual zone champions from Strathcona Tweedsmuir. The

boys led in both games only to lose 25-21 and 25-23 (oh so close). Congratulations, good year gentlemen!

The JV Girls Volleyball

The JV girls had an excellent season for their team. They had a lot of fun and had some great road trips. Their skills improved

greatly over the year. Also, their team play has come up to a great level. Didsbury tied for first in league play and finished second in league championships. They progressed to zones where they came fourth in their pool. A great big thank you goes out to

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Honour roll

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all the parents that drove to the games and tournaments. Without parent volunteer drivers, the league would not be possible. Thank you. Also, the team really appreciated everyone who came out and cheered them on. The last thank you

goes to the teachers and staff for their understanding of the missed classes for zones.

The JV Boys Volleyball

The JV boys team represented the County at zones in Sundre. Unfortunately, they came up short in the finals. They started the season well, undefeated in league play. The boys played in several tournaments and made the finals a couple of times. Well

done guys!

High School Students with an 80% average in the top 15 credits are as follows:

Grade 10 Kim Aarts, Elizabeth Blakely, Christina van Besouw, Kendra Brandsgard, Justin Braun, Kyle Christensen, Jonathan Clark, Anna Crosby, Nathan Dahl, Jessica Desseroit, St. Jacques, Adam Dingman, Michelle Finnigan, Rachel

Forestell, Kimberly Gole, Elisha Jackson, Stacey Jensen, Nicole Larson, Sarah Longwill, Logan Luft, Laura Mason, Lindsey McEwen, Maegan Neufeld, Tanya Phillips, Andrea Poffenroth, Jennifer Pride, Benjamin Puts, Katrina Saina, Christine Ta, Michelle Wittal
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MORE THAN APPLIANCES
Cheryl Fendley and her staff
are ready to meet all your
furniture needs.

By Nicole Smith

Looking to redo your home furnishings or just wanting to add a new piece or two?

Stop by Didsbury Appliance and Furniture Centre and check out their new line of home furnishings.

Manager Cheryl Fendley says that they took over another bay next to their store and have been bringing in furniture since the end of June.

As well, a furniture consultant has been hired, who comes to Didsbury Appliance with 10 years of experience. Ryan Livingstone is available to help customers select the best furniture for their needs.

The new furniture centre offers its customers a wide selection of pieces, including living

room sets, bedroom suites, computer desks, entertainment units and lamps.

Fendley says that if customers don't find what they're looking for in stock, there are many catalogues available to look at.

"We can do any kind of special order at all," she says.

Fendley also says that they are hoping to expand their merchandise to include pictures, rugs, and dinette sets.

She explains that most of their stock is ordered from Calgary or Edmonton, so there is about a two-day turnaround for special orders.

"If we don't have it, we'd be pleased to try and find it for you," she said.

Fendley says that the furniture centre is carrying differ-

ent brands than other retailers in the area.

Didsbury Appliance and Furniture Centre offers delivery to its customers at a reasonable rate, as well.

Fendley says that the reason for the expansion is because it's been a dream of owner, Lorraine Maloch's, for some time.

"They decided Didsbury could use a good furniture store with fairly good prices," she says.

Fendley invites Didsburians to stop by the new store and see what's in stock.

"Come on down and have a peek," she said.

Didsbury Appliance and Furniture Centre is located at #5 2024 17th Ave. in Didsbury.

CWB Now: Malting barley

Advising malting barley growers

When you're selling a product, you want to ensure that you're offering something that people want to buy.

And that's the basic premise behind the Malting Barley Industry Group's annual recommended malting barley varieties list.

The 2001-02 list was recently released and should now be available in elevators. It will also be listed in the fall issue of *Go Malting!*, in provincial seed guides and is posted on the Canadian Wheat Board's Web site at www.cwb.ca.

This is the fourth year that the Malting Barley Industry Group has published the list. It's designed to give farmers a signal of likely market demand for specific malting barley varieties.

The Canadian Wheat Board and other barley marketers selling into domestic and international market identify future market demand each year.

They use their customers' demands to forecast what varieties are likely to be the best sellers in the next crop year.

This means that some varieties, such as Stein move up the list, while others move down.

For example, in four years AC Oxbow moved from having an "increasing demand" to "declining demand" then to "not recommended" on the 2001-02 list.

For two-row varieties Harrington is at the top of the list, but other more recently registered varieties are catching up in terms of production acreage in Western Canada.

AC Metcalfe, CDC Stratus, CDC Kendall, Stein and Merit are increasingly being grown instead of Harrington because of their superior agronomic qualities as well as growing marketing opportunities.

These new varieties have been carefully developed, selected and tested before registration to confirm that they at least match, and in most cases exceed, the strengths of Harrington in malting and brewing performance.

Domestic Canadian maltsters and brewers are already using substantial quantities of these new varieties. In addition, test cargoes of AC Metcalfe, CDC Kendall and CDC Stratus were shipped by the CWB to major customers in China with positive results.

This followed similar successful commercial tests with Stein a few years earlier.

Commercial sales of these varieties have now been made. Other customers in China, Latin America and South Africa are evaluating these new two-row varieties.

But as a farmer, you want

to grow a barley variety that you feel sure will do well on your land.

Before buying seed, farmers should study the list and also take into account other factors such as disease resistance and the suitability of a variety's agronomic characteristics in their farming area.

The Malting Barley Industry Group advises farmers to consult their local provincial agricultural representative about agronomic qualities of the varieties.

As well, your local elevator manager can advise you about the potential acceptance of particular varieties.

International malting barley markets are steadily improving. Canada maintains approximately 25 per cent of the global trade in malting barley and 15 per cent of global trade in malt.

To reach the CWB, please call our toll-free phone line at 1-800-275-4292.

This column is written on a regular basis by CWB communications consultant Andrea Geary.

Canadian Wheat Board bulletin

At a glance

- The CWB negotiated a new supply agreement with Japan last week. The CWB will supply Japan with a minimum of 1.2 million tonnes of high quality milling wheat and at least 25,000 tonnes of food-use barley in 2001. Actual prices will be determined through weekly tenders.

- President and CEO Greg Arason will speak to directors and delegates about marketing and transportation issues at Agricore's third annual meeting on Thursday, November 30 in Edmonton.

- The CWB's 5th annual Moving Up Market conference, entitled "E-Agriculture - A Site to Behold" is being held at Red Deer's Capri Hotel and Conference Centre from December 3 to 5, 2000. Experts in e-business will show farmers how to harness the power of the Internet to add value to their operations. For more information, contact the CWB's Caroline Wiley at (204) 983-4236, fax (204) 983-4993 or e-mail at movingup@cwb.ca.

From elevator to port

- Four companies participated in the tendering process for rail cars this past week. Southwest Terminal (Gull Lake, SK), Ritchie Patrick Agencies (Viking, AB), Northwest Terminal (Unity, SK), and Northeast Terminal Ltd. (Wadena, SK) were awarded a total of 154 railcars for movements of wheat and durum to Thunder Bay and Vancouver.

- Rail car unloads of all grains at Vancouver for week 17 (week ending November 26) were 3,508 compared to 3,621 last week. Rail car unloads at Thunder Bay totaled 2,109 cars, up from 1,794 last week. Unloads at Prince Rupert were 527, compared to 386 a week ago.

- Primary elevator space in the week ending November 26 was 19 per cent, down from 20 per cent the previous week. Primary elevator space by province is as follows: Manitoba - 21 per cent, Saskatchewan - 17 per cent, Alberta 22 per cent.

FOB report

- CWB market development and sales staff are making presentations to buyers in Thailand and Malaysia this week about the quality of the Canadian wheat harvest and the world supply and demand situation. The Canadian International Grains Institute, Canadian Grain Commission, and Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada will also be making presentations during the seminars.

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Canadian grain is a tremendous hit in Japan

On breakfast tables in Japan, thick slices of white loaf bread made primarily from Western Canadian wheat have replaced rice.

Japan is one of the CWB's top three customers for wheat, importing about 1.30 million tonnes of wheat annually - primarily No. 1 Canada Western Red Spring.

This wheat, with a protein level of 13.8 per cent, is blended with other imported and domestic wheat to make bread and Chinese-style noodles.

About 200,000 tonnes of No. 2 Canada Western amber Durum at 13 per cent protein is also imported for the production of Italian-style pasta.

Pasta is gaining popularity among Japanese consumers. Despite repeated efforts by other competitors to break into this market, Canadian durum commands 100 per cent of the Japanese durum market as a result of the high quality of our durum and excellent service provided by the CWB.

Critical to the CWB's sales and marketing work is the CWB's Tokyo office staffed by three. General Manager David Iwaasa is responsible for the overall marketing of CWB grains in Japan and assists in marketing efforts in Korea, while his assistant Scott Morita concentrates primarily on the Japanese market.

Together they work to maintain the CWB's long-standing relationship with the Japanese Food Agency (JFA), the government's sole purchasing agency for wheat and barley in Japan.

It was the CWB's growing sales position with the JFA that led to the establishment of the Tokyo office in 1961. And almost 40 years later, the JFA continues to purchase about 1.2 million tonnes of

CWB wheat and barley every year.

To showcase Canadian wheat's high quality, David and Scott recently organized a bread baking contest that required entrants to use flour containing a blend of at least 60 per cent Canadian wheat.

David said he was overwhelmed with the response from 118 bakers from throughout Japan who entered this new contest.

Twelve finalists were selected to participate in a bake-off. The two winners are receiving a trip to Western Canada next spring to learn more about Canada's baking and wheat industries.

Another recent market development effort was the Canadian International Grains Institute Durum Wheat and Pasta program held in Winnipeg for 19 Japanese durum semolina millers and pasta producers.

Japan also imports sizeable volumes of Canadian malting barley in the form of malt. In the 1999-00 crop year, Japan topped the list of CWB feed barley customers, buying 342,000 tonnes.

With a limited amount of arable land available for growing animal feed, it's cheaper for Japanese beef producers to feed their cat-

tle on imported feed barley.

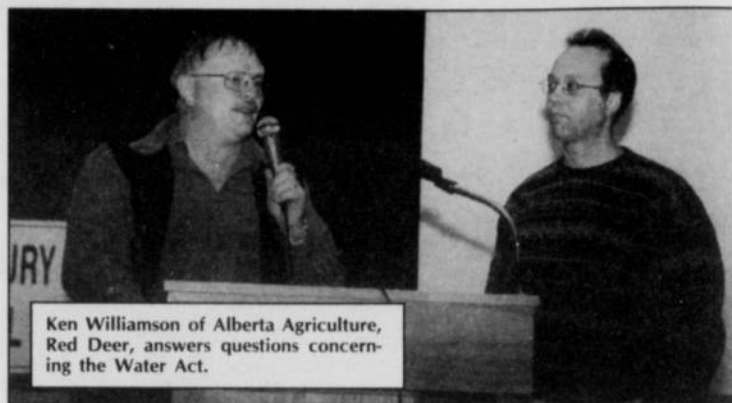
The Japanese also purchase small quantities of food-use barley used to make barley tea, a popular summer beverage, and pearled barley to be mixed with rice as a nutritional supplement.

Japan is a key market for Canada.

The CWB is committed to maintaining Canada's position as the top supplier of premium wheat to Japan, as well as working to find new markets for Canadian wheat and barley within Japan and Korea.

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Ken Williamson of Alberta Agriculture, Red Deer, answers questions concerning the Water Act.

Seminar raises issues

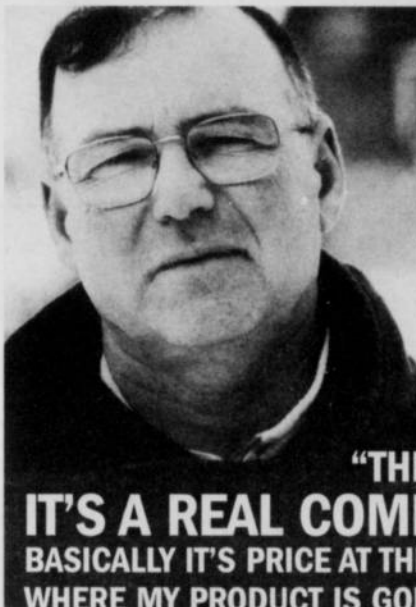
On Nov. 29 in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Memorial Complex, the Didsbury Ag Society presented an information seminar with representatives from the District Agriculture office in Olds, a well water specialist from the Red Deer Office and reps from Alberta Environment to discuss the issues related to registering water rights for traditional agricultural use.

The seminar was very well attended, with 79 people, who were informed as to how to proceed with the registration process, eligibility, and who to contact for further information and assistance with completing the forms.

A lively question period followed the presentation and attendees found the seminar to be very informative.

The most important point made was that the registration process is free, voluntary and highly recommended to ensure that traditional agriculture operations claim the water. The deadline for applications is Dec. 31, 2001 and all water usage after this date will require a licence.

The Didsbury Ag Society thanks everyone for attending and encourages farmers to watch the paper for other upcoming events.



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UGG Members direct several concerns toward Canadian Wheat Board President

UGG farmer delegates and directors attending the company's 94th annual members' meeting in Edmonton directed a number of concerns toward Greg Arason, President and CEO of the Canadian Wheat Board, following his presentation to the meeting.

Mr. Arason fielded questions on a wide range of issues, including:

- **Transportation** - Gordon Cresswell of Tisdale, Saskatchewan expressed his concern over the CWB's involvement in transportation and the potential for this to adversely affect the movement of non-board grain.

UGG delegates later supported a resolution calling for the removal of the CWB from its role in transportation.

- **Ontario Wheat Producers' Marketing Board** - Mr. Arason was asked whether the CWB would consider giving farmers an opt-out program as is the case in Ontario.

For two years, wheat farmers in Ontario have had the option of selling wheat through the OWPMB or directly to customers on their own. Mr. Arason replied that

the CWB board of directors has considered the Ontario program and has decided not to provide such an option to prairie farmers.

- **Image campaign** - Delegates questioned the recent sharp increase in communication and publicity costs at the CWB.

A resolution was later passed calling on the CWB to cease its self-serving image campaign and return those funds to farmers through the pool accounts.

- **Openness** - Retiring UGG director Roy Piper asked why the results of a producer survey conducted

by the CWB in 1999 were not publicly released. The survey reportedly showed that about two-thirds of farmers no longer supported the CWB's monopoly. Arason replied that the CWB board of directors decided not to release the information.

- **Value-added opportunities** - UGG delegate Vern McNeely of Warner, Alberta asked why the CWB was standing in the way of pasta plants and other value-added ventures in western Canada. He felt the CWB was a "roadblock" to further processing on the prairies.

- **Conflict of interest** - Mr.

Arason was asked about his recent appointment to serve on an Advisory Committee of CanRail West, a wholly owned subsidiary of OMNItrax, and whether this might compromise the CWB's dealings with other railway companies.

UGG president Ted Allen says the issues raised by delegates and directors underscore the importance of moving to a voluntary Canadian

Wheat Board. "Many of these issues would cease to exist if farmers were given more marketing choices."

A resolution in support of a voluntary CWB was passed by a strong majority of delegates.

For more information please contact Ted Allen, President & Chairman, (403) 938-8391 or (204) 944-5552 on Tuesday, November 14, 2000.

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Giving Albertans a say on their vision of a debt-free province

Albertans will be asked to help shape the province's future fiscal policy by replying to a public consultation survey launched by Premier Ralph Klein and Provincial Treasurer, Steve West.

This fiscal survey will be one of two important pieces of mail that Alberta households receive the week of November 27.

The public consultation survey titled *It's Your Money* and the first of their Alberta Energy Tax Refund cheques will both be mailed out.

"Today we enjoy a healthy economy and quality of life second to none thanks to the hard work and wise choices made by Albertans.

Still, managing prosperity has its own set of challenges and important decisions must be made. That's why we're turning to Albertans once again to help define a new course for the future," said Premier Klein.

The Provincial Treasurer added, "In the previous consultation, 1998's *Talk it Up*, Albertans told government to pay down the debt, reduce taxes, and then put money into priorities like health and education.

That advice shaped fiscal policy for the last two years and will continue to, as long as we have a debt.

The results of this survey will provide us with a fiscal map to follow when the province is debt-free in as little as two years."

It's Your Money, asks Albertans how best to use interest savings and unpredictable resource money once the province's accumulated debt is gone. Specifically, *It's Your Money* asks Albertans to:

1. Rate priorities in the area of tax reductions, increased spending, savings
2. Decide which methods of taxation to reduce or eliminate if affordable
3. Rate priorities for program spending.

The survey, estimated to cost in the \$300,000 range, provides background information for Albertans to consider before filling in their choices. In addition to a list of choices, the survey gives Albertans an opportunity to add their own ideas.

Anyone who wants a survey and hasn't received it by December 5 should call 310-4455 toll-free. Albertans have until December 20 to respond by mail, fax, telephone or the Alberta Government website at www.gov.ab.ca.

Also hitting mailboxes next week will be over two million cheques - that's the first installment of the \$150 tax refund cheques for Alberta taxpayers.

All Alberta taxpayers over 16 are eligible, and those who haven't received Energy Tax Refund cheques by the second week of December can call 1-877-599-5107 toll free. The line becomes operational November 27.

Government moves to stop power rate increases; seeks price fairness review by EUB

Alberta residential electricity rates will be held virtually constant for one year.

The Government of Alberta has directed the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board to review electricity prices across the province and suspend current hearings on proposed rate rider surcharges for the duration of the review, Premier Ralph Klein announced.

"Many Albertans are concerned about proposed electricity rate increases currently before the EUB for consideration.

I've listened to those concerns and taken action to protect Albertans from price increases until they and this government are satisfied that the prices they're paying for electricity are fair and reasonable," said Klein.

Under the Electric Utilities Act, the Government of Alberta has the authority to direct the EUB to conduct fairness reviews.

The government will also pass new regulations to expand the number of suppliers eligible to sell power directly to Alberta consumers, and change regulations governing how the Power Pool Administrator sets pool prices involv-

ing imports and exports of electricity.

"Like most Canadians, Albertans are facing an energy price crunch this winter. We've provided rebates to assist Albertans with those costs.

in to stabilize the market, increase supply, and bring prices down," said the Premier.

Previously approved rate hikes scheduled for 2001, resulting from "rate riders," will not proceed, the Premier said.

"There still might be some small price increases in 2001, but the government's monthly \$20 rebate on electricity bills beginning in January should more than cover any such increases."

"I'm confident that today's announcement minimizes the chances of any sharp power rate increases in the next year as a deregulated electricity market comes on-stream January 1," said Resource Development Minister Mike Cardinal.

"I will work with the utility companies and the EUB to ensure that Albertans are well-served by a stable, competitive, and affordable electricity system throughout the province."

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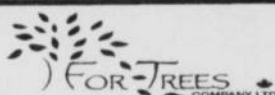
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Didsbury Ice Dogs

Well, the season has been under way for over a month now and after several games it is nice to see how well this team is rounding into form. We hit the ice flying on October 28 against Sundre #1 and jumped out to a 5-0 lead but Sundre held their ground and clawed their way back to tie it at 5-5. The play seesawed back and forth and it looked like it might end up tied but a late goal for the good guys sealed the victory.

Week # 2 saw the Ice Dogs back in Sundre against Sundre #2. This game was also a hard-fought battle but the Dogs just didn't have enough gas in the tank and eventually came up on the short end of a 7-5 loss.

Week # 3 featured a much anticipated match against Didsbury #2. This game featured brilliant end to end rushes and sharp passing by both squads. The shooters had their work cut out for them as both teams had great goaltending, but in the end the Ice Dogs squeaked out a 7-5 win.

The following weeks saw the Ice dogs score two more wins and suffer only one loss. November 26 saw the rematch against Didsbury #2. This game was even more exciting than the first one as schoolmates and buddies played hard against each other. Crisp passes, hard shots, breakaways and incredible goals were the order of the day as the lead changed hands several times. Fittingly, as the buzzer sounded to end the game the score read 6-6 and all could hold their sweaty little heads high.



BIG BAND
The Grade 9 band from Didsbury High School played some fantastic festive music at the annual DHS Christmas Band Concert on Sunday afternoon.

December 3 saw the Ice Dogs host the Olds Atom Girls in a highly entertaining game. These girls displayed a nice blend of size, speed, and ability and a very hot goalie that kept the game close for almost half of the game. But the relentless pressure from the Ice Dogs proved to be too much as we skated off to an 8-3 victory.

Meet the Ice Dogs:

- #1. Will Hadway
- #3. Alex Hutchins
- #4. Branton Olefert
- #5. Mac Southgate

- #6. Jason Edwards
 - #7. Braden Overwater
 - #8. Colby Wenckowski
 - #11. Dale Kimmel
 - #14. Chelsey Overwater
 - #15. Tanner Watt
 - #17. Cody Krebs
 - #18. Justin Gebers
 - #19. Zack McGargar
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Tom Hadway
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Pee Wee "A" update

What a great weekend of hockey - three games - two league and one exhibition. Crossfield came to Didsbury Friday night in league play and closely matched it was. Crossfield opened up the scoring in the first period, but an unassisted goal by Mitch McKetiak followed by another by Riley Edwards assisted by Josh Robertson, brought us ahead going into the second period. Robbie Leiper assisted by Garret Wenckowski popped in our third goal and just under a minute later Josh Robertson and Riley Edwards did it again. Danny Miller, assisted by Jordan Neufeld brought it to 5-3 after the second period. Fighting hard to keep the lead in the third, Robbie Leiper popped in an-

other assisted by Kyle Reider. Crossfield came back with one more, leaving them two behind - final score: 6-4.

The next league games took us to Okotoks and the boys fared well. All three goals for Okotoks came in the first period of play, when we were still wondering where ours were.

Then pop, pop within seconds of each other in the second period. Jordan Neufeld assisted by Garret Wenckowski and Riley Edwards, and Robbie Leiper assisted by Kyle Reider and Cory McEwen. Opening up for a strong third period was Kyle Reider assisted by Robbie Leiper and Matt Collinge. Within minutes, two more goals - Brad Edwards assisted by Jordan Neufeld and

Riley Edwards. Right back at them by Matt Collinge assisted by Mitch McCargar.

Really on a roll and feeding the fire, Didsbury still had two goals to unleash coming from Jordan Neufeld assisted by Riley Edwards and Garret Wenckowski followed up by Matt Collinge assisted by Mitch McCargar and Robbie Leiper. Great game boys! And a solid come back final score 7-3 for Didsbury.

Sunday was an exhibition game adding to the love of hockey and giving all of the parents something to do! It was a good back and forth game, with Strathmore pulling in the lead for a 6-4 final in their favor.

Thanks guys for all the good entertainment!

Mountain View Colts Profiles Greg McMullen, #8, A



Age: 21
Position: Defence
Height: 6' 1"
Weight: 170 lbs
Shoots: Right
Last team on: Colts
Number of years played: 17

What's the best thing about playing hockey: Playing the actual game.

Future goals: Go to college.
Favorite NHL team: Edmonton Oilers

Colts Profiles

Mountain View Colts Profiles Ken Swanson, #17



Age: 19
Position: Centre
Height: 5' 9"
Weight: 140 lbs
Shoots: Right
Last team on: Colts
Number of years played: 13

What's the best thing about playing hockey: Meeting people and making friends.

Future goals: Move to Sweden.
Favorite NHL team: Detroit Redwings

Mountain View Colts update

Friday, December 1, the Colts travelled to Airdrie where for the first time in 17 games against the Thunder, the Colts finally earned a point. The Colts scored the first goal of the game late in the first by Cote with assists going to Manning and Overwater. Second period action saw the Thunder score twice before the Colts evened the period with a goal of their own by Lesyk assisted by deChamplain and Overwater. Third period action saw some hard-hitting, fast-paced hockey as the play seesawed back and forth. The Colts scored midway through the third by Lesyk assisted by Swanson and McMullen. It looked to be a sure win for the Colts, when an unnecessary penalty in the last minute of the game led to Airdrie scoring and sending the game into overtime. Airdrie scored two minutes into overtime ending the game 4-3. Very few penalties were afforded either team in what has got to be the best played game that these two teams have ever had. Adam Anderson did an outstanding job netminding.

Saturday, December 2nd, the Colts hosted the Innisfail Blades where once again the Colts' players showed up to play disciplined hockey. Penalties were

once again kept to a minimum which led to Colts to a 7-1 victory. Points in this game went

to McMullen two goals one assist, Pieper, McGinn and Lesyk with one goal and one assist each Swanson and Overwater

Razors Report

by Cassandra Peterson

With the hockey season well under way in Didsbury this year, the Didsbury Atom Razors are slicing up their opponents. With a league record of 5-0-0 and an exhibition/tournament record of 3-3-0, their success is attributed to the emphasis on passing and team play.

The Razors are a well-rounded team that has seen scoring from all positions on the ice. The defense pairs are headed up with Don (Howitzer) Kilmury who's shot is feared by all and Matt (stay at home) Jaenen. Next defense pair is Andrew (Bobby Orr) Peterson who likes to score top shelf from his knees; and Eric (work to get around me) Timmins.

The forwards are working well together with many sweet passing goals. Nick (the Zamboni) Hutcheon, Nicolas (the stick) Renggli, and Cody (Woody) Wood, have found the back of the net many times. The next line sees Devon (the play maker) Gillies, Jonathan (speedy) Johnson, and Dustin (the rebounder) Moreau, making it look easy. John (work horse) Carlson, Kasey (Hat trick) Eichhorst, Jesse (crash the net) Steward and Matt (long reach) May have also sharpened their goal scoring skills many a time.

The Razors have a full time net minder, Josh (Patrick Roy) Campbell. With an awesome glove hand and few rebounds, he has many wins and a Shutout to his credit.

Behind the bench we have Tom (Keenen) Peterson, Brent (Sinden) Hutcheon, Jeff (Bearcat) Bauer and Howie (horseshoe) Snyder leading both the players and the parents down an enjoyable hockey season. The Razors have managed to talk old hard-nosed Peterson into a couple pizza parties and a game against the parents.

The winners for the Razors Grey Cup Pool are: 1st quarter - Kay Wood, half-time - Bruce Robertson, 3rd quarter - Mary-Ellen Snyder, and the final - Howie Horseshoe Snyder.

had one goal each. Other assists went to Wright, Montgomery, deChamplain, MacRae and Erick.

Ryan Taks played awesome between the pipes.

Next home games are on Saturday, December 9th against Drumheller Raptors - game time 8:00 and on Sunday, December 10th against the Cochrane Generals - game time 5:00.



Colts Hockey

The next home game of the Mountain View Colts will be on Dec. 9 at 8 p.m., when they take on Drumheller at the Didsbury Arena.



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Midgets playing hard so far

Nov 24 the Midgets headed to Crossfield, to have a league game. Didsbury won with a score of 7-4, goals were had by: Warren, Clazie, Spreeman, Murphy, Anderson, Dawson, and Miko. assists going to Spreeman, Williams, Murphy, Toggle, Christensen, Jensen, and Kletzel. Keep up the team work guys. Nov 25 the Midgets played on home ice against Bassano. This game the scores were a little closer, Bassano kept Didsbury on their toes. The final score was 5-3 for Didsbury, Dawson scored the first one of the night, Murphy scored twice, and Spreeman and Christensen scored one each, Miko scored a hat trick in assists, other assists were had by Murphy, Jensen, and Archer. Our two goalies K. Christensen and C. Steadmen, have both been playing well this year, keep it up boys.

Friday Dec 1 found the Midgets and of course their dedicated coaches and parents on the road to Indus for a tournament. They played three games the first one was a loss the second game was on Sat Dec 02 was a tie game. Which brought us to the C-finals, this meant a very early start on sun as the game was at 9:00am. So we headed out with high hopes of a good game and we got one. The Didsbury Midgets won the final game. We wanted to thank the Bantams for letting Tom and Troy play with us on Friday night's game they did great. Way to play guys.

Holidays - A season of taking

Ah, the winter holidays. A time for giving, right? Well, just for fun, this year why not think of this period as a time for *taking*? Consider:

- Taking time for yourself.
- Taking care to do nice things for someone.
- Taking notice of decorations, scenery, good will.

Holidays are a time of tradition. But always remember that you have three choices when it comes to tradition: continue it, modify it, or break it.

Perhaps you'd like to try a lighter recipe with less fat and fewer calories in place of a traditional dish; take care of yourself and others with this change. Suggest that the family do something active together such as volunteering to help others or going for a brisk walk around the neighborhood; take the time. How about forming an assembly line and creating a group holiday card? Take this chance to try a change of pace. Take the focus off food and put it on something else. That's another refreshing way to make new traditions.

During the holidays, many commitments crop up. Be assertive and ask for help. Often,

people overeat when they are overwhelmed; but again, you have a choice. You don't have to be overwhelmed. Ask someone else to clean up after the football game. Join a car pool for the kids' church play practices. Asking for help is the first step toward getting it.

Flexibility is key to enjoying holiday parties. Take the time

to prepare. Eat regular meals during the day; never go to a party hungry. Plan to drink lots of water during the party. Dress it up in a champagne glass with a twist of lemon, or choose sparkling water for variety. Water gives you something to hold and fills you up.

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BIRTHS

RICHARD AND CAROLYN Feenstra are grateful to God for the gift of their daughter, Ashlyn Renee, born Nov. 28 in Lethbridge.

CARDS OF THANKS

WE WOULD LIKE to say "Thank You" to everyone who helped in any way to make our birthday celebration so enjoyable. Thank you to the family for organizing the day, to the entertainers for a wonderful program and especially to everyone who came from near and far to help make our special day one we will long remember. Thanks also to Ty Lund for taking time out of his busy schedule to attend the dinner. God bless you all! Reuben and Esther Olson.

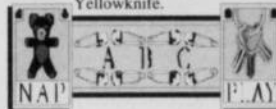
THANK YOU FOR the kind words, cards and flowers that have been shared with Rita and I following the Nov. 22, 2000 death of my father Arie "Pete" Versluys. All have been greatly appreciated. Peter Versluys (and family).

WE WOULD LIKE to thank our family and friends for helping us celebrate our 50th Wedding Anniversary. It really made our day. Earl and Edith Lewis.

BIRTHS



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Friends may think we have forgotten,
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COMMUNITY SERVICES AND EVENTS



UPCOMING EVENTS

DIDSBURY

5-0 Dinner

A dinner will be held on Dec. 6 at 12:30 p.m. at the 5-0 Club. Turkey supplied. Bring vegetable, dessert or salad, and cutlery and dishes. Price, \$3.

Xmas Concert

Westerdale Community will be holding its annual Christmas concert on Dec. 10 at 1 p.m. Potluck dinner will be served, please bring one main course and either a salad or dessert. For info call 335-3969.

DIDSBURY

Light Tour

Seniors Light Tour to Calgary on Dec. 14. Leaving the 5-0 Club at 4 p.m. Phone Florence at 335-3327.

Christmas Evening

The Mountain View Christian Women's Club presents a Christmas Evening on Dec. 12 from 7:30-9:30 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room. Homemade desserts. Speeches and demonstrations. Free nursery. For rides or reservations call Nancy 337-3200 or Margie 335-3765. Please honour reservations.

DIDSBURY

Live Nativity

Redeemer Lutheran Church Live Nativity is on Dec. 21, 22 and 23 beginning at 7:30 p.m. each night. Refreshments served following presentation. Admission is free. Everyone welcome.

Xmas Lights Tour

Lion's Bus Christmas Lights Tour of Didsbury. Dec. 12, 14, 15, 20 and 22 at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$5 at Aurora Travel and Realty World.

ONGOING EVENTS

CARSTAIRS

RECYCLING DEPOT

Carstairs Lion's Recycling Depot is open every Saturday from 9 a.m. - 12:20 p.m.

CARSTAIRS T.O.P.S.

(Take Off Pounds Sensibly) welcomes new members. Meetings 7 p.m. Monday evenings at Carstairs Church of God. For info call Jean 637-3753, Darlene 946-4369 or Natalie 337-2351.

DIDSBURY

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

General Meeting-Second Monday of each month, 6:30 p.m. supper, 7 p.m. meeting 335-3265 RSVP

DIDSBURY TOPS

Take Off Pounds Sensibly! Come and join us every Wednesday evening. For more info call Stacey at 335-4487 or Joanne at 337-2614.

ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

Didsbury Environmental Advisory Board meets once every two months at the Town Office. For info. call Wes at the Town Office at 335-3391

TOY LIBRARY

Kidding Around Parents Club Toy Library: Open Tuesdays and the first and third Saturdays from 10-11:30 a.m., at the Anglican Church Hall basement 2037 - 24 Ave. New members always welcome. Linda at 337-5868.

AA

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. Fridays 8:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, Didsbury, 20 Ave. and 21 St. For information call Roxanne at 335-8322 or Rick at 335-9525.

TIME OUT

Mom's Time Out and Dads Too. We meet Monday mornings from 10 to 11:30 a.m. (excluding holidays). Nominal babysitting fee. Redeemer Lutheran Church. Ph. 335-2388

KING HIRAM LODGE

King Hiram Lodge #21 has its regular meetings at 8 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday of the month. For info. call Hans Lucas at 337-2250.

O.E.S. MEETING

St. Hilda Chapter #27 O.E.S. has its regular meetings at 7:30 p.m. every 3rd Tuesday of the month. For info. call Kay Johnston at 335-4060.

SONS OF NORWAY

Sons of Norway meets the 4th Monday of every month at 8 p.m. at Evergreen Centre in Olds. All welcome. Call 556-2401 or 337-2037 for more information.

DIDSBURY

DIDSBURY MUSEUM

Everyone is welcome. We have lots to see, take a look back in history. Donations are always welcome. Admission is \$2/adults and children and members free. The Museum is open on Wed., Thurs. and Fri. from 2-5 p.m. weekly and 2-4 p.m. on Saturdays during July and Aug. We're located at 2118 - 21st Ave. For more info. call 335-9295 during office hours.

RECYCLING DEPOT

Didsbury Lions Recycle Centre open Mon-Fri 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Accepting newspaper, office papers, magazines, junk mail, plastic milk jugs (please clean). Phone 335-8193. Use outside bins.

CASH BINGO

Didsbury Elks Cash Bingo every Tuesday. Doors open 6:00 p.m., Nickel Bingo at 6:45. Regular bingo at 7:30 p.m. Didsbury Elks Hall.

DIDSBURY PRESCHOOL

A non-profit, social & educational program for children 3-5 years is accepting registrations. Register now for September and save \$10 off registration fee. Call Cherrie at 335-8039.

LIONS

Lions Handi Bus in town service Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Wheelchair accessible Call Lloyd Kenyon at 335-2363.

PRESCHOOL

A non-profit, parent run, social and educational program for children 3-5 years is now accepting on-going registrations. Drop-off rates available. Call 335-8039 or 335-8818.

INFORMATION

Mountain View La Leche League, a group which offers information and support for breastfeeding mothers. We also meet the 3rd Tuesday evenings of each month. Phone 335-8864 or 335-2331 for information and meeting location.

BEAVER'S

Beaver's Monday 7 - 8 p.m. at Eldon Foote Hall. Kids 5 to 7 years old, boys and girls welcome.

OUT OF SCHOOL CARE

Just Done For Fun out of school care program runs each school day at Ross Ford. For more information call 335-8168.

HALL WALKING

Adult hallwalking at Westglen from 6:30-8 a.m. Monday to Thursday. Keep fit this winter.

AL-ANON

Al-Anon meetings for families of alcoholics held every Friday. For more info call 335-3146 or 335-9787.

DIDSBURY

BRIDGE CLUB

Mountain View Bridge Club meets every Wednesday from 7-10 p.m. at the Masonic Star Hall, 2037-21 Avenue, Didsbury. All bridge players welcome! For more info: 335-8375 or 638-2757.

SUPPORT GROUP

ADD/ADHD Support Group. For parents and families dealing with attention deficit disorder. For more info call Sheree 335-8612.

GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS

Tuesday night meetings have been suspended until September, due to the summer break.

HOME HELP ASSOCIATION

The Didsbury and District Association is a locally run non-profit society attempting to co-ordinate volunteer or fee for service assistance. Call 335-4391.

LEARNING DISABILITIES

Learning Disabilities of Alberta, Min. View Chapter. Support and info for parents and teachers dealing with learning disabilities. Meet on last Tuesday of the month in lower level conference room in Physiotherapy Unit of Hospital. For info call Susan at 335-3174.

LONE PINE

T.O.P.S.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets every Friday at 9 a.m. at Lone Pine Hall. For information call Doreen at 335-4514.

OLDS

MEETING

Adoption Support Group of Olds and area meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month. For more information contact Susan at 335-8540.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Join the Mountain View Presenters (MVP) Toastmasters Club in Olds. Meetings every Tuesday at Olds College, Room 108, at 7 p.m. starting September 9. For further info, call Judy Dahl at 556-7119 or Malissa at 556-8520.

SUPPORT GROUP

Fibromyalgia Support Group 4th Thursday of every month. For time and place, contact Mel Terpstra 335-3527 for info.

SUNDRE

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS Wednesdays, 8-9 p.m. in the basement of the Anglican Church. Ron 638-2736.

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